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SUBJ: WESTERN GROUP--CANDIDACIES

1. PLAJA (ITALY) CONVENED WEO MEETING TO DISCUSS
CANDIDACIES FOR COMITES ON CHARTER REVIEW, PROGRAM
BUDGET AND TERRITORIAL ASYLUM. PALJA EXPLAINED HE BEING
PRESSED BY SECT. TO PRODUCE CONDIDACIES.

2. CANDIDATES ARE: FOR CHARTER REIVEW -(1) AUSTRIA, FINLAND,
FRG, GREECE, ITALY, NZ. SPAIN, TURKEY PLUS FRANCE, UK,
US FOR 10 SEATS ON 42 MEMBER BODY. FOR PROGRAM BUDGET--(7-
FRG, ITALY, NETHERLANDS, TURKEY PLUS FRANCE, UK, US FOR 6
SEATS ON 23 MEMBER BODY. FOR ASYLUM (9) AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA,
BELGIUM, FRG, ITALY, SWEDEN PLUS FRANCE, UK, US FOR 7 OR
POSSIBLY 8 SEATS ON 27 MEMBER BODY.

3. DEPINIES (SPAIN) ARGUED FORCEFULLY THAT SPAIN WAS
CANDIDATE FOR ONLY 1 COMITE AND STATES WHICH SOUGHT TO
BE ON TWO OR MORE COMITES SHOULD REEXAMINE. TEMPLETON
(N.Z.) TOOK SAME LINE.

4. IN RESPONSE SPANISH AND N.Z. PRESSURE AUSTRIA SAID
IT WOULD WITHDRAW CANDIDACY FOR CHARTER REVIEW COMITE
IF IT AGREED THAT AUSTRIA WOULD SERVE ON ASYLUM COMITE.
ITALY AGREED RECONSIDER ITS CANDIDACY FOR PROGRAM
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BUDGET COMITE IF OTHERS AGREED ITALY WOULD SERVE ON ASYLUM

COMITE.

5. SINCE NO AGREEMENT REACHED RE ASYLUM COMITE AUSTRIA
AND ITALY RETAIN THEIR CANDIDACIES FOR CHARTER REVIEW
AND PROGRAM BUDGET
COMITE RESPECTIVELY.

6. DEPINIES MADE LENGTHY STATEMENT URGING THOSE WITH
MULTIPLE CANDIDACIES TO RECONSIDER. GROUP ADJOURNED
WITHOUT AGREEMENT.

7. COMMENT: THERE IS CLEAR UNDERCURRENT DEVELOPING
AGAINST AUTOMATIC MEMBERSHIP OF FRANCE AND UK AND AP-
PARENT FRG DESIRE TO ASSERT NEAR PERMANENT STATUS ON
COMITES. THERE ARE ALSO PERHAPS THE BEGINNINGS OF QUESTIONING
WHETHER ANY OF THE PERMANENT MEMBERS ARE AUTOMAITCALLY
ON ANY COMITE THEY WISH TO JOIN. THIS FEELING IS NOT
AT THE BOILING POINT YET BUT COULD REACH IT IN THE NEAR
FUTURE. END COMMENT.
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